

ACT 248

H.B. NO. 410

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Budget of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

PART I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act shall be known and may be cited as the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Appropriations Act of 2025.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS. Unless otherwise clear from the context, as used in this Act:

“Means of financing” or “MOF” means the source from which funds are appropriated or authorized to be expended for the programs and projects specified in this Act. All appropriations are followed by letter symbols. The letter symbols, where used, shall have the following meanings:

A General funds

T Trust funds

“Position ceiling” means the maximum number of permanent and temporary full-time equivalent positions authorized for a particular program during a specified period or periods, as denoted by an asterisk (\*) for permanent full-time equivalent positions and a pound (#) sign for temporary full-time equivalent positions.

“Program ID” means the unique identifier for the specific program and consists of the abbreviation for the office of Hawaiian affairs (OHA) followed by the organization number for the program.

PART II. PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to accomplish the purposes and programs designated herein, are hereby appropriated or authorized from the means of financing specified to the office of Hawaiian affairs for the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The total expenditures and the number of positions in each fiscal year of the biennium shall not exceed the sums and the position ceiling indicated for each fiscal year, except as provided elsewhere in this Act, or as provided by general law.

| PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS |                               |         |                  |                |     |             |     |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|------------------|----------------|-----|-------------|-----|
| ITEM NO.               | PROG. ID                      | PROGRAM | EXPENDING AGENCY | APPROPRIATIONS |     |             |     |
|                        |                               |         |                  | FISCAL YEAR    | M O | FISCAL YEAR | M O |
|                        |                               |         |                  | 2025-2026      | F   | 2026-2027   | F   |
| Hawaiian Affairs       |                               |         |                  |                |     |             |     |
| 1.                     | OHA175 - BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY |         |                  |                |     |             |     |
|                        | OPERATING                     |         | OHA              | 3,000,000A     |     | 3,000,000A  |     |
|                        |                               |         | OHA              | 3,000,000T     |     | 3,000,000T  |     |

**PART III. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND  
EFFECTIVE DATE**

SECTION 4. If any portion of this Act or its application to any person, entity, or circumstance is held to be invalid for any reason, the legislature declares that the remainder of the Act and each and every other provision thereof shall not be affected thereby. If any portion of a specific appropriation is held to be invalid for any reason, the remaining portion shall be expended to fulfill the objective of the appropriation to the extent possible.

SECTION 5. If manifest clerical, typographical, or other mechanical errors are found in this Act, the board of trustees of the office of Hawaiian affairs may correct these errors. All changes made pursuant to this section shall be reported to the legislature at its next regular session.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

(Approved June 30, 2025.)